

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2004**

The City of Leesburg Commission held an organizational meeting Monday, January 5, 2004, in the Commission Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Pro-Tem Knowles called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Commissioner Bob Lovell
Commissioner Ben Perry
Commissioner Lewis Puckett
Mayor Pro-Tem David Knowles

Also present were City Manager (CM) Ron Stock, City Clerk (CC) Betty Richardson, City Attorney (CA) Fred Morrison, Deputy City Clerk (DCC) Diane Gibson Smith, the news media, and others.

Reverend Lonny Smith, father of Commissioner-elect John Christian gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ADMINISTERED OATH OF OFFICE:

CC Richardson swore in John Christian to serve as Commissioner for District Two, Seat Two for a three-year term.

ELECTED MAYOR

Commissioner Lovell nominated Commissioner Knowles for Mayor. Commissioner Puckett moved to close nominations and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Knowles expressed appreciation to the Commission for electing him as Mayor.

ELECTED MAYOR PRO-TEM

Commissioner Perry nominated Commissioner Puckett to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem. Commissioner Lovell moved to close nominations and it carried with only Commissioner Puckett voting nay. Mayor Knowles stated "let the record show an unanimous vote of five yeas."

APPOINTED COMMITTEES:

Personnel Committee

Commissioner Puckett and Commissioner Christian volunteered to serve on the Personnel Committee.

Lake County League of Cities Board of Directors

Mayor Knowles volunteered to serve on the Lake County League of Cities Board of Directors.

Tourist Development Council Board

Commissioner Lovell volunteered to serve on the Tourist Development Council Board.

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Metropolitan Planning Organization

Commissioner Perry volunteered to serve on the Metropolitan Planning Organization. Commissioner Lovell volunteered to serve as the alternate member.

Leesburg Partnership

Commissioner Puckett volunteered to serve on the Leesburg Partnership

St. John's River Water Management District Liaison

Commissioner Puckett volunteered to serve as the St. John's River Water Management District Liaison.

Leesburg Area Chamber of Commerce

Commissioner Puckett volunteered to serve on the Board of the Leesburg Area Chamber of Commerce.

Florida Municipal Electric Association

The Commission appointed Electric and Gas Director Lloyd Shank and City Manager Stock to serve as representatives to the Florida Municipal Electric Association.

Florida Municipal Power Agency

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Leesburg Airport Advisory Board

Commissioner Christian appointed Allen Dunlap.

Leesburg Recreation Advisory Board

Commissioner Christian appointed Marcus Niblack.
Commissioner Lovell appointed Tim Travis.

Leesburg Telecommunications Advisory Committee

Commissioner Christian appointed Joe Knowles.
Mayor Knowles left his appointment open at this time.

Commissioner Perry moved to approve the appointments to the various committees and boards. Commissioner Lovell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Perry moved to have the Lake County League of Cities Board of Directors to be filled each year by whoever is appointed Mayor as long as there are no conflicts. Commissioner Puckett seconded the motion. The motion passed with only Commissioner Lovell voting nay.

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SET REGULAR MEETING DATES FOR THE GREATER LEESBURG COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (GLCRA) AND THE CARVER HEIGHTS & VICINITY COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CH&VCRA)

Commissioner Perry moved to schedule the Carver Heights & Vicinity Community Redevelopment Agency meetings for 5:00 p.m. on the second Monday of every month and the Greater Leesburg Community Redevelopment Agency meetings for 5:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of every month. Commissioner Lovell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Perry moved to adjourn. Commissioner Puckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Diane L. Gibson Smith

Recorder

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